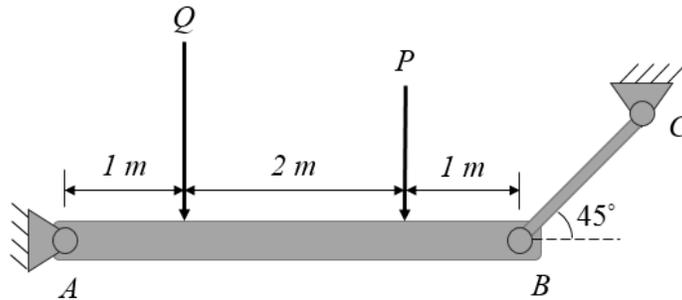


1-11. The loads on the beam follow the distributions of  $P \sim N(12, 3^2)$  kN and  $Q \sim N(36, 6^2)$  kN. The pins at  $A$  and  $B$  are in double shear, and both have a diameter of  $d = 15$  mm. What is the distribution of the shear stress in pin  $B$ ? Assume  $P$  and  $Q$  are independent.



### Solution

Solve for  $F_B$

$$\begin{aligned}\Sigma M_A &= -Q(1) - P(3) + F_B \sin 45^\circ (4) = 0 \\ \Rightarrow F_B &= \frac{Q + 3P}{4 \sin 45^\circ}\end{aligned}$$

Pin  $B$  is in double shear, thus

$$V_B = \frac{F_B}{2} = \frac{Q + 3P}{8 \sin 45^\circ}$$

Solve for area

$$A = \frac{\pi}{4} d^2 = \frac{\pi}{4} (0.015)^2 = 1.767 \times 10^{-4} \text{ m}^2$$

Solve for  $\tau_B$

$$\tau_B = \frac{V_B}{A} = \frac{Q + 3P}{8A \sin 45^\circ}$$

Because normal random variables  $Q$  and  $P$  are independent,  $\tau_B$  also follows a normal distribution,  $\tau_B \sim N(\mu_{\tau_B}, \sigma_{\tau_B}^2)$ .

$$\mu_{\tau_B} = \frac{\mu_Q + 3\mu_P}{8A \sin 45^\circ} = \frac{36(10^3) + 3(12)(10^3)}{8(1.77)(10^{-4}) \sin 45^\circ} = 72.0 \text{ MPa}$$

$$\sigma_{\tau_B} = \sqrt{\left(\frac{1}{8A \sin 45^\circ}\right)^2 Q^2 + \left(\frac{3}{8A \sin 45^\circ}\right)^2 P^2}$$

$$= \sqrt{\left(\frac{1}{8(1.77)(10^{-4}) \sin 45^\circ}\right)^2 (6(10^3))^2 + \left(\frac{3}{8(1.77)(10^{-4}) \sin 45^\circ}\right)^2 (3(10^3))^2} = 10.8 \text{ MPa}$$

Then

$$\tau_B \sim N(72.0, 10.8^2) \text{ MPa}$$

**Ans.**